**REMARKS** 

As a preliminary matter, applicant, through their attorneys, hereby affirms election of claims

107-125 (group 4), with traverse, as required by the Examiner in paragraph 3 of the Office Action.

Reconsideration and further examination of the subject patent application in light of the

present Remarks is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner be of the opinion that a telephone

conference would expedite prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is respectfully

requested to call the undersigned at the below-listed number.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee which may be required

for this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.18, including but not limited to the issue fee, or credit

any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-0920. Should no proper amount be enclosed herewith,

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Respectfully submitted,

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